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The proposed settlement looks to me like nothing more than window dressing. The whole problem with Microsoft is that there is no real alternative to using their operating system. They have a true monopoly on the operating system used by nearly all consumer PC's. The only alternatives have extremely limited software availability. The only solution I see to the problem is to force MS to make the Windows X86 code an open standard so other companies may begin making operating systems that will be able to run software written for Windows. Until that happens the entire computer industry, as well as the consumer, will continue to be held hostage by Microsoft.